



COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Situation Report

April 27, 2020

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Situation to Date

Declarations in Response to COVID-19

World Health Organization	Pandemic
United States of America	National Emergency
State of Ohio	State Emergency
Lucas County	Emergency

Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

United States of America	965,933
State of Ohio	15,963
Lucas County Residents Confirmed Cases	1080
Lucas County Residents Probable Cases	42

Deaths Attributed to COVID-19

United State of America	54,877
State of Ohio	728
Lucas County Residents Confirmed Cases	65
Lucas County Residents Probable Cases	10

Tests Performed in Lucas County

Total Tests	4,276
Tests Pending	1,267

First Responders Staffing

Quarantined Officers – 6

- First Responder which have had potential exposure to COVID-19, are not showing symptoms and have not been tested

Fire Service - 2

LCEMS Commo

1

Whitehouse 1

Law Enforcement – 4

Toledo 1

Lucas County Sheriff 1

Holland 1

Sylvania 1

Isolated Officers – 12

- First Responders which have had potential exposure to COVID-19 and showing symptoms

Fire Service - 5

Toledo 5

Law Enforcement - 7

Lucas County Sheriff 7

State of Ohio Orders, Restrictions, and Advisories

- Dr. Acton executed a Health Order directing all Ohioans to Stay at Home effective from 11:59 p.m. on Monday, March 23rd through May 1st, (copy of order can be found at coronavirus.ohio.gov)
- Governor DeWine recommends all Ohio residents suspend vacation travel
- The Primary Election in the State of Ohio has been postponed until April 28, 2020
- All K-12 schools are ordered closed effective, Monday, March 16, 2020 through the end of the school year.

Actions Taken to Date

- Governor DeWine has signed an Executive Order providing immediate unemployment benefits to all workers that do not have access to paid leave from an employer
- State of Ohio approved for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program through the U.S. Small Business Administration
- Established a single website to provide local information on community guidance to include testing protocols, resources, and closures and modifications to service delivery (<https://lucascountyhealth.com/coronavirusupdates/>)
- Established Lucas County Community COVID-19 Call Line, a 24/7 centralized phone number for the public to receive answers to clinical questions related to COVID-19
 - (419) 251-4000
 - (419) 291-5355
- A Donations Management System and Center has been established to accept and distribute donations

- Established a landing page to direct donors to the appropriate place to provide their donation – Volunteer, Food, Financial Assistance, Goods (dontateTLC.org)
 - Linked this through our Health Department Coronavirus page as well
- All donations of goods should be emailed to Donations@co.lucas.oh.us
- Toledo Community Foundation is accepting financial donations to support the response to COVID-19
- United Way is coordinating food donations and volunteers
- All organizations in need of supplies, including PPE and other hard goods should submit a completed 213RR form to eoc@co.lucas.oh.us. More information can be found at <https://donatetlc.org/requests>. Requests should only be submitted if supplies cannot be obtained through standard procurement channels.

*Situational Awareness**

**New items are in red.*

- The Governor’s Office will be rolling out a detailed Road to Recovery Plan **today, April 27th**.
- The Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce in partnership with Toledo and Lucas County Economic Development and the Toledo Lucas County Health Department will be launching “Open for Business”, an initiative to prepare local businesses to safely resume operations in support of the Governor’s Roadmap to Recovery. The launch of this initiative has been delayed until after the Governor’s announcements on the State’s plan to begin to reopen businesses.
- **The Lucas County hospitals are currently working on plans to begin elective surgeries in the next couple weeks.**
- The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department in partnership with Rite-Aid, Kroger, WalMart, and the Neighborhood Health Association announced four public testing locations today. Testing sites will include the Rite Aid location at Airport and Holloway in Springfield Township; Metroparks Hawkins Farmhouse; Nexus Healthcare Center; and Navarre Park Family Care Center. **Each organization has agreed to share their testing results with the EOC so that we can track positive and negative tests. Rite Aid’s site has performed 911 tests in their first six days of public testing. Kroger’s site performed 435 tests over the course of their three days of public testing from Kroger show only 17 positive tests, for a 6% positive test rate. Testing at Hawkins Farmhouse will resume again with Walmart on Wednesday, April 29th. Between the two corporate partners, 1,346 public tests have been performed this week. Neighborhood Health Association will be opening its two sites today.**
- On April 22, the Ohio Department of Health modified its testing priorities for COVID-19 creating a new category “2-A” to allow for the testing of asymptomatic residents and staff in long-term and congregate care facilities with an outbreak.
- The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department in partnership with the hospitals has established a strategy to provide comprehensive testing and contact tracing of long term care facility residents.

- The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department secured a source (Quest) for universal testing of all Long Term Care Facility residents and staff. The approximately 6,000 tests should be administered by Friday, May 1st. The HMAc has requested to extend this testing resource to all Long Term Care Facilities in Region 1.
- Lucas County EMA has developed a geographic tracking tool for COVID cases in Long Term Care Facilities. The HMAc has asked to expand this tool to track COVID cases at all Long Term Care Facilities in Region 1.
- The Toledo-Lucas County Health Department in coordination with Lucas County and the cities of Oregon and Toledo will be conducting a COVID waste water study to gauge rates of infection and community spread. First samples were taken Thursday, April 23rd and will be taken weekly for the next three weeks.
- Lucas County received a large shipment (18 pallets) of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from Ohio EMA on Friday, April 24th.
- The Alternate Care Facility (ACF) Planning Committee has completed their ACF plan. On Friday, April 24th the HMAc established three activation triggers for the ACF: 1. Ten Hospitals utilizing 25% or more of their internal surge capacity; 2. COVID Hospitalizations increase by 10% or more for 7 days in a row; and 3. Predictive data showing bed utilization of northwest Ohio hospital exceeding 80% within 20 days. Activation of ACF will only be requested when two of the three distinct triggers reach defined thresholds.
- The Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO) voted on Friday, April 24th to cease accepting new or returning inmates due to an outbreak of inmates with COVID-19 in the facility.
- A non-congregate sheltering resource for first responders, health care workers, and the unhoused in isolation or quarantine is operational. There are currently ten individuals in the non-congregate shelter. In order to protect the privacy of these individuals, the location of the shelter will not be publicly disseminated.
- A sheltering resource for first responders not in isolation or quarantine but needing housing has been established. Currently, there are two first responders in this semi-congregate shelter.

Resource Needs and Information Requests

The following significant resource needs and information requests have been fulfilled:

- Confirmed that TLCHD is reporting case numbers in the new State format
- Determined the number of staff necessary to conduct appropriate contact tracing
- Compiled a GIS map of long term care facilities within Lucas County.

The following significant resource needs and information requests are outstanding:

- Numerous PPE requests
- Temporal thermometers
- Funding for public testing
- Confirm FEMA reimbursement eligibility for testing resources with OEMA.

- **Trigger point for implementation of ACF**
- Request inventory and burn rates of N-95, face shields, and gowns in long term care facilities

Incident Objectives

Daily Objectives

- Establish Incident Action Plan by 1000 hours
- Distribute Situation Report to organizations
- Provide daily media availability at 1530 hours
- Encourage and support all organizations to plan and operate their own incident command branches and feed into the EOC via appropriate Liaison or ESF desk
- Receive, respond and fulfil resource need requests provided to the EOC
- Facilitate communication amongst all organizations
- Align and consolidate as best possible all public information through the Public Information Liaison
- Ensure accessibility of COVID-19 guidance to all Lucas County residents

The following objectives have been recently completed:

- Distributed information regarding application for FEMA Public Assistance for governments, hospitals, and non-profit organizations
- Established protocol for government offices, businesses, etc. for how to handle a positive COVID-19 case among their workforce, including contact and cleaning guidance.
- Obtained a call-in number for people with access and functional needs to report needs related to COVID-19 (419-885-5733)
- Identified current PPE needs of Lucas County long term care facilities that have a positive case of COVID-19
- **Filed request with FEMA for an extension to Lucas County's request for reimbursement for non-congregate sheltering resources.**

Our top objectives for the next planning period are projected as:

- **Provide support for launch of NHA public testing site**
- Establish a weekly PPE tracking tool that provides current PPE resources in hospitals, long term care facilities, fire service, and law enforcement as well as current supply chain.
- Establish staffing support plan for long term care facilities
- Establish agreement between the State of Ohio and Lucas County for alternative care facility utilization
- Execute agreement for wraparound services associated with ACF

The following other objectives have been identified:

- Address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of social vulnerability
- Support resource needs of the Board of Elections related to primary election

- Support the needs of persons with access and functional needs

Next Update

- The next Situation Report will be released on April 28, 2020

EOC Information

- Virtualized members of the EOC are operational daily from 0800 to 1800 hours
- Fire and Emergency Medical Service organizations asked to provide resource needs, information requests and regional objectives to Emergency Support Function (ESF) 4 desk in the EOC, which will be staffed by Battalion Chief Matthew Brixey
 - LCFireCOVID19@gmail.com
- Law Enforcement organizations asked to provide resource needs, information requests and regional objectives to ESF-13 desk in the EOC, which will be staffed by Lt. Phil Cook
 - LCLECOVID19@gmail.com
- All public information and messaging asked to be coordinated with the Public Information Liaison (Gretchen DeBacker)
 - gretchen.debacker@toledo.oh.gov
- All other organizational concerns to include resource needs, information requests and regional objectives asked to be funnel to the appropriate Liaison in the EOC, as identified below:
 - Michael Hart will serve as the liaison for municipalities, townships, independent governmental boards, and other local governmental organizations to include courts and the offices of independently elected officials within Lucas County
 - mhart@co.lucas.oh.us
 - Ben Pushka will serve as the liaison for the business community via the Chamber of Commerce; all local school districts as well as private and charter schools; community colleges and universities; non-profit organizations; and religious organizations that are located within or serve Lucas County
 - bpushka@co.lucas.oh.us
 - Doug Born will serve as the point of contact for businesses interested in production, logistics or transportation of goods in support of the response to COVID-19
 - dborn@co.lucas.oh.us
 - Caryn Maloney will serve as the liaison for all health care organization to include public, private and non-profit hospitals, medical facilities, behavioral health, nursing homes, long-term care facilities providers and organizations that serve these organizations and populations that are located within or serve Lucas County
 - cmaloney@co.lucas.oh.us

Interim Activation Triggers for NW Ohio Regional ACF at SeaGate Center

Utilizing three distinct triggers, the activation of the ACF will only be requested when TWO of the three triggers reach defined thresholds.

Three distinct triggers use data from NW Ohio regional hospitals and ODH. The three triggers will serve as checks on each other to provide a high level of confidence that the ACF is needed. Trigger levels account for a 20-day lead-time to execute final documents needed to initiate funding, and for the physical build-out of the ACF. All three triggers are based on hospital bed capacity and a fundamental principle that the ACF will not be activated until all hospital capacity within NW Ohio is projected to be severely depleted within 20 days, including surge capacity established for COVID response.

- **Trigger 1:** Hospital capacity monitoring establishes that at least **10** hospitals simultaneously report that they are utilizing **25%** or more of their added COVID surge capacity.
 - All 32 NW Ohio hospitals will actively monitor their bed capacity. When a hospital has utilized all of their traditional bed capacity and has additionally utilized **25%** of their added COVID surge capacity, they will contact the HMAC to report that they have hit this threshold. The HMAC will monitor these reports and track how many hospitals have concurrent threshold reports, using **10** total hospitals as the key indicator. This strategy accounts for the hospitals seeing the need within their facilities, and the use percentage of COVID surge capacity counts that will accompany med surge capacity counts with reintroduction of elective surgeries.
- **Trigger 2:** COVID-19 hospital inpatient counts in NW Ohio increase by **10%** or greater, for **7** days in a row.
 - Regional COVID-19 hospital inpatient data will be distilled from ODH data and monitored daily by the HMAC to establish the daily percentage change, using **10%** increase as the key indicator over **7** consecutive days.
- **Trigger 3:** Hospital bed capacity predictive data shows a trend that projects total NW Ohio hospital bed utilization to reach **80%** within **20** days.
 - Total regional bed capacity (traditional capacity + COVID surge capacity) is compared with daily utilization reported by NW regional hospitals in the OHA Resource Tracker. Each day, the utilization trend is averaged over the prior 7 days, and that average increase or decrease is applied to the current day's utilization number to project the utilization percentage for each day over the next 30 days, using **80%** as the key indicator over a **20** day projected timeframe.

Defined Requestor for ACF Activation

The HCNO Executive Committee Chair will be the official requestor for ACF activation.

HCNO's Board of Trustees includes all HCNO member hospital CEOs. The Board maintains an Executive Committee and this committee includes an individual Chair (Requestor). NW Ohio's 32 hospital CEOs are the ultimate decision-makers for the activation of this ACF, including all HCNO hospital members and several additional hospitals that make up the 32-hospital regional coalition footprint. The 32 hospital CEOs will review the defined Trigger Points outlined above and will be asked to approve a plan that would place the HCNO Executive Committee Chair in the position to officially request to the Governor's

Office that the ACF be activated. The Executive Committee Chair will only be asked to make the request when evidence is presented that the agreed upon Trigger Points have been met.

ACF Incident Commander(s) Identified

One Incident Commander each from Mercy Health and ProMedica be named as initial Incident Commanders (ICs) for the ACF upon activation.

Once the ACF has been officially requested, Mercy Health and ProMedica will each begin preparations for staffing and supplying the ACF, based on plans that have been completed in March/April 2020. Mercy Health and ProMedica will pre-identify their ICs now to ensure that these individuals are familiar with the completed ACF plans. Once the ACF is built-out and operational, the ICs will work within a Unified Command to operate the ACF based on the completed ACF plans.

Approved by the NW Ohio Healthcare Multi-Agency Coordination System (HMAC) Group Coordinators on April 24, 2020